

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Henok D. Legesse
HIROSHI TANIUCHI, ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2861
Application No.: 10/561,528)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 9818
Filed: December 20, 2005)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING METHOD,)	
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS,	:	
INTERMEDIATE TRANSFER BODY,)	
AND METHOD OF MODIFYING	:	
SURFACE OF INTERMEDIATE)	
TRANSFER BODY	:	December 22, 2008

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW*Introductory Comments*

Prior to examination on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: